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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

HOWARD HENRY,

Plaintiff,

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WYETH PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., WALTER WARDROP, ANDREW SCHASCHL, and MICHAEL McDERMOTT,

Defendants.

05-CV-8106 (RCC) (DFE)

DECLARATION OF JOHN SIMPSON IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

## I, John Simpson, declare:

- I am a former employee of Wyeth Pharmaceuticals, a Division of Wyeth ("Wyeth"), and, until June 2006, when I retired from Wyeth, I worked at Wyeth's Pearl River, New York facility. I make this declaration based on my own personal knowledge.
- 2. In January 2004, while I was employed by Wyeth as a Director, Bioprocess Development, I sought to hire an individual for a Staff Engineer I position at Wyeth's Pearl River facility. This vacant position was announced through Wyeth's job posting system.
- 3. The job responsibilities for this position included scaling up purification processes for the production of clinical and commercial immunoconjugates and natural products.

In hiring for this position, I was seeking an individual who had a Ph.D. in chemical engineering or an individual who had a B.S. or M.S. Degree in chemical engineering and substantial relevant experience, including experience in bioprocess downstream operations.

- A number of individuals, including Howard Henry, applied for this 4. position. I selected Beelin Cheang for the position because I felt she was the most qualified for the position. Unlike Mr. Henry who only had a B.S. in Chemical Engineering and who did not have heavy bioprocess development experience, Ms. Cheang had a Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering. Ms. Cheang ultimately rejected the offer of employment in or about June 2004. Thereafter, I decided to hire James Patch, who also was more qualified than Mr. Henry because he had a Ph.D. in Chemical and Biological Engineering. Mr. Patch accepted the offer of employment in December 2004.
  - At the time I made the decision to hire Ms. Cheang and, later, Mr. Patch, I 5. had no knowledge, or reason to believe, that Mr. Henry had ever made any complaint of racial discrimination. I do not believe that Mr. Henry applied for any other Staff Engineer I position in my area of responsibility. Mr. Henry's race played no role in my hiring decision.

Executed on October 10, 2006 at Upper Nyack, New York.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

John Siranson